

*Race Relations
Negro*

February 14, 1945

Mr. George A. King
General Delivery
Wilmington, California

Dear Mr. King:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 10, 1945, concerning Dianna Strand Village.

He has asked me to thank you for your views and comments.

Yours very truly,

James Welsh
Assistant Secretary

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Let There Forever Be A Reservoir, A Backlog, As It Were, Of Goodwill
Between and among all races, respectively, throughout all mankind.

(Send all donations to this address)

227 East 127th Street,
New York 35, New York.

To all of gratitude for what
the late Dr. Carver, of peanuts
and plastics and paints fame,
did for all mankind.

February 11th, 1945.

My dear Sirs: (& the Ladies, too),

I am the coloured Chairman of the George Washington Carver Portrait-painting Project that has commissioned one 15-year-old Mr. Martin J. Reed, a Junior-high student of N.Y.C., to paint for it a 27-by-36 inches-size portrait of the late Dr. Carver of Tuskegee, Ala.

This little Negro lad has produced for us a masterpiece of painting indeed. The official photographer and many more who have seen it said it is worth more than a half-Thousand dollars. And, as did Carver at Tuskegee Institute, young Reed has spent of himself in his job for little more than the love of it. Now here's where you ought chip-in to help.

This whole idea was inspired through young Martin J. Reed, himself. So I got in touch with Dr. Wm. Jay Schieffelin, who is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Tuskegee Institute about the matter before we got started on the painting. Dr. Schieffelin said he'd accept the portrait of Dr. Carver for Tuskegee from us adults in Evening Classes here in New York City's Harlem. The paint job is now finished and there is to be a day soon for dedication and presentation in our school's chapel and all that; but we are direly in need of some spiritual talent directly up from Tuskegee Institute itself; but how can it be done? May I not suggest that you men of finance, power and influence might share with 15-year-old Martin James Reed in the gracious act of honoring the sainted memory of human-benefactor Geo. Washington Carver to the extent of sponsoring the transportation of the world-famed male Quartet of Tuskegee to New York City and back? Surely none of us will or can ever forget the master of the lowly old "mr." Peanuts.

We are trying hard to raise at the least enough funds here to cover our local expense for the coming occasion, as you can see by the next sheet.

Very sincerely yours,

Moses Saint-Matthew Ashley
The Chairman, G.W.C.P.P.P.

P.S. Dr. Carver's favorite verse in the Bible is: Psalms, 42 Ch. v:5.

P.P.S. An 8 x 10 ins. Copy of the 27 x 36 ins. New Painting in photo form is being offered Free to each \$2 donor; \$4, 2 photographs, and so on, up.

To the Adult, Evening School Classes, P. S. 120 Man.

Here's the latest news on our G. W. Carver picture:

-- As of from Nov. 15, 1944, to Feb. 7, 1945 --

With due permission to so do, our classes did raise the necessary money to help our teen-age-boy benefactor to get started on the painting of the portrait of the late Dr. Geo. Washington Carver, the great plants scientist of the Tuskegee Institute. In doing what we did, we only made a timely start on a worthy cause. The painting by our young little boy friend is now completed and stowed away for the day of its presentation to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Tuskegee Institute, down in Alabama. We owe a great deal of gratitude to young Martin James Reed, for his masterpiece of Dr. Carver. We owe him more than that. Let us buy him a \$50 War Bond, (\$37.50 for us), and we should raise the proper sum for the crating and shipping of this precious gift, by us, safely from New York to Tuskegee Institute, to the great George Washington Carver Art Museum there. Official photos of the painting have been made.

I am, Sincerely yours,

M. S. M. Ashley, Chairman of the
portrait-painting project, at P.S.120 Man.

Approved by the Teacher-in-charge,

Mr. Abraham Kaufman.

You Are Invited to Participate in a

CONFERENCE

ON

HOUSING AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

TO BE HELD AT

THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

535 S. Hoover, Los Angeles

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1945

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

UNDER THE JOINT SPONSORSHIP

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HOLLYWOOD WOMEN'S COUNCIL

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AMERICAN VETERANS COMMITTEE

Y.W.C.A.

✓ NOTE:

THIS CONFERENCE IS IN LIEU OF THE LEADERSHIP
ROUND TABLE MEETING FOR FEBRUARY.

YOUR ATTENDANCE IS ESPECIALLY URGED.

Floyd C. Covington

PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE

The foremost problem confronting the Los Angeles Community today is that of housing. It is a problem the effects of which have been felt with greatest severity among the racial minority groups in our population. Racial prejudice and restrictions have made it almost impossible for American citizens of Negro, Mexican, and Oriental descent to find any kind of decent housing, and have prevented the integration within the community of highly concentrated minority groups.

The effect has been to expose our entire community to the dangers of disease, delinquency, and racial friction—the inevitable results of overcrowding and segregation.

This Conference has been called to secure unified action and efforts by all organizations and citizens in the community to meet the ever-increasing problem.

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

The merits of legislation now pending before the State Legislature making void residential restrictions based on race, creed, color, or National origin;

The education of the community against discrimination;

Methods of fighting discrimination through the courts;

The details of the housing situation . . .

These are the important topics which will be the subject of discussion, with the aim of evolving action programs in which the entire community may participate.

PROGRAM

10:00 a.m. REGISTRATION

10:30 a.m. GENERAL SESSION. Howard L. Holtzendorff, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Los Angeles will delineate the present housing situation. Ben Margolis, Chairman.

11:00 a.m. PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Educating the Community:
Chairman, Dr. Marie Hughes

Courtroom Scene:
Chairman, Mr. Loren Miller

The Housing Story:
Chairman, Mrs. Jessie L. Terry

Legislative Action:
Chairman, Hon. Augustus F. Hawkins, Assemblyman

12:30 p.m. LUNCHEON, with introduction of prominent guests. John Anson Ford, Chairman.

2:30 p.m. HON. ROBERT W. KENNY, *Attorney General*, will be guest speaker. MORRIS E. COHN, *Chairman*. Panel reports will be presented at this time.

Organizations are urged to send official delegates to the Conference where this is possible. Officers and members are also welcome in their individual capacities. No action taken at the Conference will bind any organization unless ratified by such organization itself.

Please give this matter your early and earnest consideration in order that the Conference be truly representative of the organizations and people of Los Angeles.

Reservations for luncheon should be made by Wednesday, February 21, through the secretary, Miss Jane Grodzins, 229 N. Broadway, Suite 229. Telephone MIchigan 2641.

Registration: \$.50

Luncheon: \$1.05

APPOINTMENTS OF NEGROES MADE BY
GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY

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While District Attorney of New York County:

Francis E. Rivers, as Senior Assistant District Attorney, was the first Negro in the history of New York City to prosecute murder cases. Salary: \$10,000.

Mrs. Eunice Hunton Carter, as Assistant District Attorney, was the first Negro woman in the history of New York City to be appointed to such a position. Salary: \$6,000.

James Yergan, Assistant District Attorney. Salary: \$4,000.

While Governor of the State of New York:

Hon. Francis E. Rivers, as Justice of the City Court of the City of New York, the highest public office ever held by a Negro. Salary \$17,500. Justice Rivers was subsequently elected to a ten-year term.

Dr. Clilan B. Powell, as a member of the New York State Athletic Commission. This is the first time a Negro has ever held this position. No salary. Receives \$25 for each meeting he attends.

Mrs. Bertha J. Diggs, as Secretary of the Department of Labor. This is the first time a Negro has ever held this position. Salary: \$5,000.

Noah C. A. Walter, as a member of the Industrial Board of the State of New York. This is the first time a Negro has ever held this position. Salary: \$8,500.

Richard L. Baltimore, Sr., as Workmen's Compensation Claims Referee. This is the first time a Negro has ever held this position. Salary: \$5,000.

Assistant Attorney-Generals:

Conrad A. Johnson, on Corporations
Stanley M. Douglas, on Labor
Philip Watson, on Election Frauds
Lamar Perkins, on Welfare
Salaries range from \$3,500 to \$5,000.

Mrs. Mathew V. Boutte, as a member of the Board of Visitors of the New York State Training School for Boys at Warwick, N. Y.

Dr. Henry O. Harding, as a member of the Board of Visitors of the New York State Hospital for the Treatment of Incipient Pulmonary Tuberculosis, Ray Brook, N. Y.

Rev. George H. Sims, Dr. C. B. Powell and Rev. Elijah J. Echols, as members of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination.

Dr. Walter N. Beekman, as a member of the State War Council's Committee on Discrimination.

R E S O L U T I O N

In the Annual State Convention of the Woman's Political Study Club, held in Los Angeles, California, December 7, 1944, the following resolution was presented by the Executive Secretary, Mrs. Betty Hill:

RESOLVED: That the undersigned respectfully directs the attention of the Honorable President of the United States, Honorable Senators and Representatives of the House of Congress of the United States to the acknowledged fact that in the District of Columbia a system of racial discrimination exists similar to the patterns of the Southern States.

RESOLVED: That because of the fact that the District of Columbia is the seat of our federal government, and citizens of every State, including states that do not permit discriminatory practices, come there, and representatives of foreign governments to our country, live there, these racial discriminations are observed by many people who carry away the belief that racial discrimination is a policy of our federal government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That since the government of the District of Columbia is vested in your Honorable Bodies and the President of the United States, the undersigned respectfully petition that you enact the necessary legislation to prohibit and prevent all forms of racial discrimination in the District of Columbia to the end that all foreign governments, our own States and the citizens thereof will see by the example thus set that our federal government does not tolerate, but on the other hand condemns racial discrimination.

Mrs. Betty Hill
Mrs. Beatrice J. Mason
Mrs. Esther T. Greenly
Mrs. C. B. Hicks
Mrs. Mattie Stafford

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April 25, 1945

Mr. Merwin K. Hart, President
National Economic Council, Inc.
350 Fifth Avenue
New York 1, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hart:

Governor Warren has received your letter of April 14 with the enclosure of the pamphlet entitled "The Negroes in a Soviet America" and he has asked me to thank you for sending him this pamphlet.

Sincerely,

Beach Vasey
Legislative Secretary

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ASSISTANT TREASURER

April 14, 1945

Hon. Earl Warren
State Capitol
Sacramento, Calif.

Dear Governor Warren:

You and the members of the Legislature of your State are doubtless being importuned to pass a so-called anti-discrimination bill.

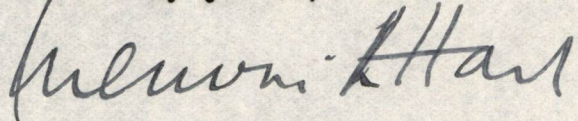
Much support has been drummed up for these measures by "liberals" and others. Many of the church people have been persuaded to endorse them, as they did here in New York State.

But a perusal of the enclosed pamphlet entitled "The Negroes in a Soviet America", which is an exact reproduction of one published by the Communists in 1935, strongly suggests that the motive back of those really responsible for the idea is the old communistic principle of stirring up discord.

The loose sheet inserted in this pamphlet is a key to its understanding.

We respectfully suggest that you, or some one of your staff, study this pamphlet.

Sincerely yours,



Merwin K. Hart
President

What's Back of Anti-Discrimination Bills?

The past year or two a wave of propaganda has demanded the enactment by Congress and the several States of so-called "Anti-Discrimination Laws."

The assumption of many persons is that these measures are a generous and timely effort that will bring contentment to all the people. But there is impressive evidence that they are, instead, merely one more attempt of the Communists to stir up trouble.

There undoubtedly is some discrimination against many Negroes, and to a certain extent against many Jews. But it is in large part merely the expression by the 117 million non-Negroes and non-Jews of their choice of employees or fellow-employees, or of companions or associates. Such choice is, in the very nature of things, a part of liberty itself.

Negroes and Jews in the United States have had greater opportunities than in any other country on earth. On the day the New York legislative committees held a hearing on an Anti-Discrimination Bill, the New York papers carried long articles telling of the election of a Negro as President of the Bar Association of Dutchess County, New York, and mentioning incidentally that his daughter is a Justice of the Domestic Relations Court in New York City.

Increasing numbers of Negroes are constantly attaining distinction in many fields. There is less reason now for anti-discrimination laws than there might have been ten, twenty or thirty years ago. The situation has been steadily improving in that slow but sure way which is the soundest way of all, but which apparently annoys the zealots and fanatics who wish to see any situation they think wrong righted over night. And many good citizens, who have lacked opportunity really to study the matter, are today being misled by these very fanatics, and by an alien-minded element with aims and purposes of its own.

Most Americans regret the existence of any discrimination. True education, patience and greater emphasis on the Christian quality of charity (that is, good will) will accelerate the improvement in race relations that has long been noted. But to resort to *compulsion* by legislation is not the remedy. That will set the clock back—and will probably do worse. The Eighteenth Amendment proved that.

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We submit herewith an offset copy of a pamphlet published in 1935 by the Workers Library Publishers (the Communist Party of the

U.S.A.). A perusal of this suggests the likelihood that the anti-discrimination campaign for which many good people, including church organizations, have fallen, is of wholly alien origin.

"The Negroes in a Soviet America," as the reader will see, is a direct incitement by the Communists to bloody revolt against the white people of the United States, urging them to set up a Soviet form of government and affiliate with Soviet Russia. The Foreword on page 2 urges social equality as "a minimum desire" of the Negro. On page 35 is the statement, "The Negro people can find inspiration in the revolutionary attempts of Gabriel, Denmark Vesey, Nat Turner . . ." etc.; and upon consulting Volume XIV of Albert Bushnell Hart's "History of the American Nation," it will be found that two at least of these Negroes were the leaders in Negro revolts in which scores of white men, women and children were mercilessly slaughtered.

On page 38 is the statement that, "Any act of discrimination or of prejudice against a Negro will become a crime under the revolutionary law."

The anti-discrimination bills carry out this idea precisely!

At the present moment, of course, the Communist technique has changed—it would not aid in securing a continuance of lend-lease or the expected help in Russian reconstruction if so crude a pamphlet were circulated now. Nevertheless, as David J. Dallin points out in his book, "The Real Soviet Russia" (published by the Yale University Press, 1945), this current attitude of the Communists is merely a phase from which the Communists will return to their ruthless Communist program when the current need has passed.

James W. Ford, one of the authors of the pamphlet, has been several times the candidate of the Communist Party for Vice-President. "James S. Allen," the other author, is the alias for Sol Auerbach whose activities were a matter of record before the Dies Committee.

This special offset edition of "The Negroes in a Soviet America" has been brought out in order that the people may form a true understanding of what is back of the present hullabaloo about "Race Equality."

NATIONAL ECONOMIC COUNCIL, INC.,

April 1945

350 Fifth Ave., New York 1, N. Y.

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May 29, 1945

Mr. Richard A. Turner
Attorney at Law
811 Citizens National Bank Building
Los Angeles 13, California

Dear Mr. Turner:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your letter of May 19th concerning racial discrimination. He wishes to express his appreciation for your willingness to give him the benefit of your views.

Sincerely

Verne Scoggins
Press Secretary

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RICHARD A. TURNER
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BAILIE, TURNER & LAKE
811 CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
LOS ANGELES 13, CALIFORNIA

May 19, 1945

The Honorable Earl Warren,
Governor of California,
Sacramento, California.

Dear Sir:

There seems to me to exist a very considerable amount of agitation respecting the rights of negroes in this locality and almost a total lack of any discrimination between legal and social rights.

Undoubtedly the colored people are entitled to equal economic rights and we should all do our best to see that these are secured to them.

On the other hand, we should not be constantly pressed to take them into our social or semisocial organizations, nor should they be required to accept the Caucasians into theirs, at least not so long as the laws of this state prohibit the intermarriage of whites and negroes.

I should like to see something done which would serve to bring about a better understanding between the races.

In my opinion, one of the most constructive things that could be done would be for the state or the Federal government to purchase a tract of land and construct thereon a housing project equal in every particular to prior projects of that kind, and to restrict the use or occupation thereof to persons of the negro race.

If a movement of this kind were inaugurated in California, I feel confident it would sweep the nation, and would greatly assist in the proper solution of this racial problem.

Very respectfully yours,

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Richard A. Turner

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June 18, 1945

Mr. Leon Washington, President
California Negro Newspaper Association
Publisher, Los Angeles Sentinel
1050 East 43rd Place
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Washington:

Governor Warren has received your telegram setting forth a number of matters in which members of the California Negro Newspaper Association are interested. He has asked me to acknowledge receipt of it and to thank you for so listing the subjects about which you are concerned.

In connection with negro correspondents being admitted to press conferences, I am sure you know that this point has never been a matter of issue. Accredited newspapermen are always admitted to press conferences, and the representatives of any of the papers in your association would at all times be welcome to them.

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Thanking you in behalf of the Governor,

Sincerely

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Press Secretary

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Copy of a telegram to the Governor June 9, 1945

Hon. Earl Warren
Executive Mansion

The California Negro Newspaper Association, representing fifteen publications with an aggregate quarter million readers, adapted resolutions today, urging appointment of a qualified Negro for Municipal Judgeship vacancy in Los Angeles, more liberal appointments of negroes to responsible positions. Your support for State FEPC, and selection of Negro correspondents to be recommended by us to attend your regular press conferences.

We further urge that you give serious attention to the housing problem in the state and the need of adequate employment opportunities in Post War Era

Leon Washington, Association President
and Publisher of The Los Angeles
Sentinel.

Original telegram filed in Applications and Recommendations
Los Angeles Municipal Court, Comments.

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8-11-45

Governor Earl Warren,
Sacramento, Calif.

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Dear Sir:

Despite the beatific promises of our statesmen to the contrary the labor situation here is going to be acute and distressing, and the black problem will not be the least. A large majority of our workers, especially the negro portion, will have saved little of their earnings and our relief agencies will be overburdened.

Instead of struggling under a permanent charity program I am sure the taxpayers would gladly pay the cost of sending those who wish to go back to their homes---both black and white.

The race question, as regards the negro, is an economic one not only as to labor but from the further fact that when a black family moves into a white neighborhood real estate values decline 50 per cent. or more.

And the negro's growing insistence on social equality, despite the glamorous ~~Eleanor's~~ Eleanor's drive to the contrary, is not pleasant to contemplate, and it is going to make trouble.

Coached by various helpful bureaus ignorant old foreigners are being admitted to citizenship and go on the pension rolls, and the negroes are enthusiastically following suit.

Notwithstanding the credent belief that you favor the idea of taxing the thrifty for the benefit of the improvident, yet the burden on us who have managed to keep off the relief rolls and retain our self-respect may become too heavy for us, and may make it necessary to pension the tax-payer.

Let's send the negro and all others who will go back to their own states,
and not try to ~~make~~ an Utopia for them here.

Respectfully,

Geo Backster

Leader Praises Negro Sailors' Facilities Here

Recreational facilities for Negro sailors in San Diego yesterday received praise from the local Race Relations society, following a tour of inspection and conferences by Dennis V. Allen, organization president.

In addition to conferences with Rear Adm. W. L. Friedell, U.S.N., commandant of the Eleventh Naval district, and with Lt. Comdr. Leo B. Calland, U.S.N.R., district welfare and recreation officer, Allen inspected the Fifth ave. center, a six-acre establishment near Navy field, recently opened for the benefit of the 3000 Negro sailors in this area.

COST \$146,435

One of the largest and most completely equipped recreational establishments under navy control, it was built at a cost of \$146,435. It is staffed by Negro enlisted personnel and provides facilities for dancing, swimming, movies, indoor and outdoor games, and for food and soft drinks.

The center includes a 60-by-120-foot gymnasium, with lockers and showers; the tropical gardens, which has a big dance floor, stage, refreshment bar, check room, and galley, and a \$110,000 swimming pool which is used both for training and recreation.

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Many of the Negro enlisted personnel on the center staff hold petty officer ratings as athletic specialists and serve as instructors. The center is operated by the district welfare and recreation office, under Calland.

Allen expressed satisfaction with the navy's facilities for Negro personnel after the tour.

District Commandant, Allen Confer



Rear Adm. W. L. Friedell, commandant of the 11th Naval district, and Dennis V. Allen, president of San Diego Race Relations society, discuss recreation and welfare of the Negro bluejackets.

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August 28, 1945

Mr. D. C. Danforth
3501 Greenmount Avenue
Baltimore 18 Maryland

Dear Mr. Danforth:

Governor Warren has asked me to
acknowledge your letter of July 15th
and enclosure and to thank you for
your willingness to give him the benefit
of your views.

Sincerely,

Verne Scoggins
Press Secretary

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Baltimore Md, July 15-45

Governor Earl Warren
Sacramento Cal,

Dear Sir;-

Feeling that a large majority of the people of the United States realize that eventually something is going to have to be done about the negro population in the United States.

I am enclosing some facts, and would like to offer a suggestion by which a down trodden race may be uplifted. Doing it not by force but by friendship. Extend it over a long period of years and slowly so it will not be felt by anyone, yet both will be benefitted.

I appeal to our Governors for they are each interested in the future welfare of their own State and Nation.

Sincerely

D.C. Danforth

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THE NEGRO OR THE WHITE MAN?

The descendents of the Pilgrim Fathers who fought and founded this nation are slowly and pacifyingly being pushed aside by demands for the negro vote. A recent article in Colliers magazine by one of our presidential candidates showed how the negro was being played against the white race. The negro is being used as a political football in many ways.

Educate the negro, give him the rights, privileges etc., that are fair to any citizen and in time waiting for developments. Internal war is sure to come. A showdown more disastrous than the Civil War. The way to prevent disaster is to stop it before it starts. Prevent enmity by colonizing the negro. Give him his freedom as he should have. Two races growing more congested in the United States is definitely a menace to the future peace of this nation. Why pass the buck? Most everyone realizes that something is going to have to be done. Right now the pacifists are campaigning to educate the negro and put him on an equal in every respect with the whites. This is the soft easy way with hopes and imagination that every thing will be peaceful. There are even organizations called (for the betterment of the colored race). The white better consider forming such an organization of their own, or eventually be outdone by the vote. The nation is about forty percent negro now, with a large additional percent of caucasian traitors to their own race.

There have been thousands of race riots with the negro in the past, but have always been suppressed due only to inferiority of numbers of the negro. Equality is like throwing a fire bomb into a tank of gasoline. Educate the negro and he is certain to make demands which have already been made in many instances. Who thinks the college graduate is going to work on the farm or do any hard work?

The negroes are already congesting the cities because they find it easier. Look at Washington, Baltimore, New York, Chicago - in fact all large cities. They are coming off the farms congesting the cities and multiplying like flies, and getting noticeably very brazen. Just suppose there were as many full blooded Japs in the U.S. as there are negroes. We are two distinct races. All kinds of plants and animals can live on the Earth with certain kinds of protection of distance etc. But to congest even similar plants or animals you get survival of the fittest. There is a noticeable growing feeling against the negro. The whites are going out of their way to prevent trouble with them every day. Gentlemen the time will never come when man will not have to fight for his rights. Our nation needs to be cultivated as well as educated. We are blindly drifting, letting our nation grow along the line of least resistance. A peaceful settlement will breed friendship. A settlement by force breeds everlasting enmity.

To the fore sighted the future is a part of the present. Every constructive step the nation takes now is a gain for the present and a real dividend for the future.

The negro is a victim of circumstances brought on by the white man. If the white man really wants to do something real for his own country as well as for the negro race - now is the time. He will get busy now and set aside some of the land we are now taking from the Japs. Set up a form of government, schools, etc. Direct it for them until they can carry on alone. Plan a system of slow migration to start at some distant date. Allow all negroes now living to live out their existence here. Allow them to remain a part of the United States or give them their independence.

The negro does not care to work for the whites or associate with them. He is merely a victim and has no choice. They resent this. They are entitled to their freedom as much as the white are. They are not getting their real freedom, merely political freedom. They are getting laws passed one after another to them on legal equality with the whites. This is not freedom or equality. Its merely taking the easy way out by making laws against the white man so he can be forced by law to eventually accept the negro as a blood relation. Are we not above the ordinary animal as far as blood relation is concerned? Is the Bible true or false? Are we going to let politics run us into a nation of half-breeds? Is there such a thing as caucasian race and an ethiopian race. Or is this only a mistake that we have been taught from the very beginning.

We may never again have such ideal land for such an ideal purpose for all concerned. A golden opportunity. One we should be looking for, for the future of the United States. Most of this land will only be a problem on our hands.

Most national troubles come from congestion. The U. S. is not yet congested but is fast becoming so. At this time we have an opportunity for the betterment of our future. I am sure we have men representing us that are interested enough in our nation and have caucasian race to preserve them with their authority at this time. It is in their hands at this opportune time to start the ball rolling. We have plenty of pacifists who tried to keep us out of this war. We still have plenty who prefer following the imaginary line of least resistance. Why take the wide easy road of least resistance? The boys over there are not taking the easy road when there is a tough job to be done. We should at least reward them with the satisfaction of knowing that their descendants will at least be of caucasian descent for the way they are fighting and dying to preserve our Nation. Are we pacifying them to come back to a home that is destined to be a nation of half breeds unless we do something on our part to alter it?

There is no harm or sin in planting an unborn seed where it belongs or where it has an opportunity for freedom and growth. Why cant we realize that our past got us nowhere except a return to our past difficulty, only in a much larger proportion. And now someone has come along with a crackpot idea that education will make every thing peaceful with the negro. In other words, cultivate the weeds and the garden will be ideal. Let every thing grow up in a mass. Isn't the blood of the caucasian race worth preserving. It was the will of God that the ethiopian race was separated from the caucasian. Are we so wise that we can deny the will of God with success? Do not be misled, education merely provides the skill for keener competition. Why drag along with such a foolish idea? There are many people who feel that the United States could not get along without the negro labor. We are in a poor way if this is true.

The United States has plenty of machinery and plenty of white manpower to handle it. The United States has the largest young population coming on that it has ever known. They are going to need room and work (not depressions) for the next generations. We need a nation that is raised to labor not one that looks down on labor. Labor is the backbone of our success. Yet the Americans (white) look down on it because we are taught that work that is a little unpleasant, a little hard, or a little dirty as nigger work. The whites are being raised to evade it. Other nations do not depend on another race to do their labor.

The pacifist is like a lazy farmer who would just let the weeds grow rather than cut them down or transplant them to where they belong. Gentlemen our nation needs to be cultivated as well as educated. By establishing a nation of colored people in land which we could well afford to give them would mean real freedom for them and an improvement for us. They would be a free people and a friendly one.

The negro should be thankful to have the United States to set them up with a nation of their own. It looks like it may be the only time such an opportunity will present itself for generations to come.

The negro will naturally object now, but in time to come they will thank the United States for doing something real for them.

After all, birds of a feather should, and do prefer flocking together.

Sincerely,

Dave C. Danforth
3501 Greenmount Avenue
Baltimore-18, Maryland.

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Governor of California
State Capital Bldg.
Sacramento, Calif.

FEB 13 1945

Your Honor Jas.

I am writing you con-
cerning Diana Strand
Village. Living Units of
Housing Authority of the City
of Los Angeles. of Calif.

Now I lived at Bayview
and C. Street. 709. Unit
635, we have colored
people there. There is one
mexican lady. and negro
ladies that act terrible
This negro lady has a boy
of He is so mean. and

hits children. when one
 says any thing. that he
 should not do it. she gets
 mad. This boy hit my 4
 year old Grandson. He went
 screaming to the house. his
 Mother come to my wife
 (Boys Grandmother) beat
 her. but he terrible.
 would of killed my wife
 if two other ladies had
 not of stop her. That she
 said. I will killed her
 yet. The Manager
 of office of Diana
 Strands Village was
 notify. But he wont
 do any thing about it.
 Now these colored people

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run the white people -
on wash days. They come
first in laundry. and
so on. This will cause a
war in Calif. between
the whites and negroes -

Now I suggest we have
to work at war work. But
we can't put up with this
It please see what they
put colored people in
one block. white in
one. Segregate them.
Then things will be
better. Now what about
this Negro lady. saying
she is yet going to killed
my wife. Her name is
Rocental. I want some

thing done about this
at once. This is a Court
charge. Threatening life
of a white person. She
should be put under
bonds at once. we
have witnesses for this
let me know at once.

Sincerely
George L. King
Wilmington, Calif
General. Del.

C. Street 709., Unit 635-

Miss MacGregor:

*Race Relations
Negro*

Did not write this letter as
there does not seem to be any return
address.

Helen

*Keep this note
and file
HBM*

Los Angeles, California
November 8, 1945

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Honorable Earl Warren
Governor of California
Sacramento, California

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Dear Governor Warren:

As a newcomer to your state, I wish to relate to you some of the experiences which I have encountered.

First of all, I am a negro. Formerly of the east, I came to the west three months ago to establish my home. During these three months, I have found that progress for Negroes is very limited in the community in which I reside. As I have only lived in one city in this state, I cannot speak for the state as a whole. However I do believe that things could be much better than they are.

As I was not living here during the war, I cannot speak on that issue, but being here on and since the day of the cessation of hostilities, I am free to say that opportunities have been very limited since the guns have ceased firing.

To be specific, this is my story: I have been seeking employment since my arrival in this city. I am on a Federal Civil Service list but have gone beyond this and filed applications and have been interviewed by various agencies, namely, The Southern California Telephone Co., The California Gas Co., etc.

These agencies are calling for workers daily, by placing ads in the newspapers and also advertising by radio, yet when a negro goes into the personnel office for a job, they're told that there are no vacancies.

I applied at one of the leading department stores today for employment and was told bluntly, "I'm sorry, but we're not hiring colored now---" "Not even for stock work," I asked---"No, nothing for colored."

The Federal Civil Service Commission sent my name to an agency where two openings existed. I was called in by the agency and interviewed---"We'll call you in a few days" said the interviewer. Two weeks passed, there was no word. The third week I sat down and wrote a letter---finally an answer came---"The position about which you inquire has been filled."

From these experiences, which are not make believe, and which I would be very glad to confirm, there is only one conclusion to be gathered, that is, that the color of one's skin determines the limitations of their opportunities.

I have been so disturbed by this matter that I simply could not be at ease until I had written to someone of authority.

If this letter is not made public, so that these agencies may take note, I shall continue to write, and maybe someone will find the goodness in their heart to help correct this situation.

As our boys and girls have also helped to bring about this great victory, this would be a big let down to them when they return home.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Jane Perry

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*Race Relations
Negro*

J. B. Burns, 338 Cedar Ave. 2,
Long Beach, Calif. Jan. 4, 1947

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Harry S. Truman, Pres. U.S., and to
Republican Senate,
Senator Taft and
New York Tribune,
Chicago Herald and
Los Angeles Times and to
Gov. Warren of California;

Greetings:

It seems that the Republican Congress and a few Democrats are interested in the ouster of Senator Bilbo. Now, wait a minute, does the Public of our United States approve of such a action, just because you people have won this election? Now do you think that is quite fair to try to oust him when all you politicians are doing the very same thing that you accuse him of doing. Of course I know there is quite a little confusion between the colored and the white race, now I am going to bring you back a little history.

Now, if you people of the Congress or the Senate, will kindly study this over, I do not believe you will feel so badly toward Mr. Bilbo. I am a Mississippian born, however my parents left when I was five years of age and went to Nebraska, Lancaster Co., Lincoln, Nebraska. My heart goes to the Southern people as I am a full fledged, registered Democrat but however, that has nothing to do with what is right and what is wrong, and too, what is good for the rich and what is good for the poor. As you remember, President Lincoln did the most wonderful thing to the Union he kept the consolidation of the Union and also in 1863, two years after the war, or was fighting, he put in its laws to free the slaves of the South, which was only but right. We are fighting for our freedom now but when Vice-Pres. Johnson took his place after his assassination, no doubt he didn't carry out Pres. Lincoln's plan. If he had only paid the South for the slaves as they had paid for them, and established free schools for the whites and the colored people, the colored people would have been the same as adopted children and the slave owners would have felt, and not only felt, but would have been responsible for them.

I remember quite well, I was a mere child then, there was a colored family living on the next farm to us. My mother had a cow that died. Those colored people were so poor they came over and asked my mother for the bones of that cow to make soap. Well, I don't think very much of our country to put our people in that condition.

Now that the Republican Party is in, let us see what they are going to do to make us love each other and be more sociable with each other, and make making conditions better for the G.I.'s who fought for your freedom.

Thanking you in advance for what you may do in the future.
I really hope you do make things better.

Very Respectfully yours,

J. B. Burns, 338 Cedar Ave., Long Beach,
California.

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I remain a citizen
of California.

William C. Ardery

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July 17, 1946

2670 E. Gage Ave.

Huntington Park,
Calif.

Governor Earl Warren
Sacramento, Calif.

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Dear Sir:

I would like to know, and
so would a great amount of
other people in this state, just
what is going to be done about
the influx of negroes in California.

In Southern States they have
laws that keep the "niggers" in
their places, but unfortunately, for
the white race in this state, there
is nothing to control them.

I and many another white man
and woman are getting fed up on

seeing niggers go in streetcars and
shows and restaurants and sitting
down ^{by} with white women.

This isn't a very healthy
situation.

Not only that but I think that
this has a great deal to do with
the crime wave that has broken
out in Los Angeles.

I think that there should be
separate places for the negroes to
live instead of continually coming
into white communities.

This problem is going to come
out in the open one of these days
and there is going to be trouble.

The people are getting fed up with
the way the negro is encroaching

on the whites.

I also have it, from good auth-
ority, that the negroes are getting
all the guns they can, and are
having their old ones fixed up.

I am a native son and because
of the influx of negroes I have re-
frained from joining the, "native sons
of the golden west," because I am
beginning to think, that this state,
is rapidly deteriorating in good
citizenship.

That is all I have to say for
now but I hope that you will
get the drift of this letter, because
I wish that this state was back
to where it was before this "scum"
of the nation came here, before the

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Slack Box 184
J. H. Slack
2/24/47

The 7400 Isr Earl Browder
State House,
Birmingham Cal
Mr. Excellency.

I am sending you a poster
of the Isr. and I printed
I hope will be put in the State
House. Please read
all of the enclosed
write up of a standing.

They had have made the life
of Al Johnson & Willie Brown
the life of Fred Rogers & Cow
Boy & also Gus DOR & Eddie
Carter will make his own
We had a rep 10¢ Brown for poster
Postage Stamp & now have 50¢
M. J. Cousins, Dr. will soon have a
3¢ for Dr. Cane Stamp.

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I have wish you success in
getting the life of Dr Isaac Dr-
um + Dr Brown + Dr Washington
produced on Christianity +
Education Dr Paul F. Hoffman
Mr J. A. Dr. Allen Dr. J. Henry
Ford and many others such
as Governors W. P. D. +
Will be wishing me
success.

These 2 great men helped
the world + the rest of
the world have the utmost
+ assurance of life to under-
take this great task to
get these films produced
to send to the nation
My son has produced these
2 great colored Americans

All I need is put on good white
up in the press so the Press +
Others can read it. This will help
to send to the White House
But write up to Dr. J. A. Dr. Henry

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148 AUBURN AVENUE, N.E.

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TO THE LOVERS OF
AMERICA EVERYWHERE:

The topics discussed herein are among the most vital facing the American people today.

Shall the nation permit the state of Georgia or any state to conduct a campaign against a decision of the Supreme Court of the U. S. A., and deny a million Negroes the right of any effective participation in the naming and selection of their rulers and then do nothing about it?

The law makers of Georgia openly assert that if the Supreme Court of the U. S. A. declares their White Primary Law unconstitutional, then they will change a few punctuation marks here and there and let those who believe in democracy for Negroes carry it up to the U. S. Supreme Court again.

I submit to the lovers of America everywhere that unless the National Government enforces freedom and democracy here at home, it will not be long before intolerance and hatred as advocated by the Columbians, the Klan, and other subversive organizations will dictate in other states just as in Georgia, and then finally in the Capitol of our Nation at Washington.

The Negroes of Georgia are appealing to the lovers of America everywhere and to our national government to at least guarantee and enforce elementary democracy here in Georgia.

I believe that the whole nation knows that Georgia, in the name of Democracy, is headed toward the type of thing that ruined Germany and carried us into war. America can not live half serf and half free.

Now is the time to act! Won't you do whatever is in your power to help?

E. M. Martin
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Secretary
Atlanta Life Insurance Company

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ATLANTA 1, GEORGIA

January 28, 1947

THE GEORGIA POLITICAL SITUATION AS SEEN BY GEORGIA NEGROES

No greater tragedy has ever occurred in American history than has transpired here in Georgia during the past few months. The whole thing is so bizarre, shameless, and shocking to even elementary decency, that one wonders how such could and did happen in any state that calls itself democratic and law abiding, much less Christian.

LYNCHING OF WOMEN

Yes, It Has Happened at Monroe, Georgia: Soon after the election of Eugene Talmadge as Governor, a Negro soldier and two humble Negro women were lynched without having time to say, "Lord, have mercy." I do not say that the men who committed this crime that shocked the Christian conscience of the nation, were followers of Talmadge, but I do know that people everywhere, white and colored alike, say that those who would oppress and keep the Negro down, felt safe in a lynching spree. One thing sure, Christianity and Democracy were so weak, and mob rule so strong in Georgia, that after months of the most careful investigation by both the State and Federal Agencies, not one of the criminals have been brought to justice.

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Equally as significant as the lynching of these humble, black women, who had done no crime, is the fine Christian spirit manifested by Georgia Negroes. They did not get together and retaliate by burning the jail down, setting fire to the business district, and killing a few innocent white men, but the National Baptist Convention sent a group of ministers and laymen to Monroe to pray, on the spot where human nature stepped so low as to kill poor, innocent, black women. Yes, there were more than "Four and Twenty Elders Down On Their Knees," praying to God for Talmadge and Georgia, on "The Place Of The Skulls" in Georgia.

Even though Christianity and Democracy may be on such a low plane and coup d'etats (Hon. Ralph McGill, Editor of The Atlanta Constitution says that we have had a political, not a military coup d'etat) on such a high plane here in Georgia, that the guilty may never be brought to the bar of justice, hundreds of thousands of God-fearing Negroes, who love Georgia, have good reasons for believing otherwise.

STORM TROOPERS ORGANIZE

It Has Happened Here in Atlanta, Georgia: A great upsurge of intolerance and bigotry, following the election of Talmadge, spearheaded by the lightning flash of the Columbians and the West End Klan element. Here, freedom was denied to white people and even a white, Christian church, to sell their own property to Negroes. Some of this property was almost in the shadow of a great Negro College, of international note, and contingent to a Negro neighborhood. Here, due processes of law

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have been raped, Negroes have been tried, convicted and killed by individuals, not courts. One Negro was kidnapped and beaten, another law abiding, hard working Negro was shot at, Negro property purchased, even before the flare up of intolerance and hate, has been damaged and in some instances, destroyed. The law of the gang is only unto itself. Today it is the Negro; a few weeks later it is the Governor of the State; and tomorrow, it may be the Capitalists if they don't pay off heavy. Gangsters want wealth and power.

I need not comment on this. The truth is known, not only in Georgia, but over the entire nation. Be it said to everlasting glory of our courts here in Georgia, that brave Georgia statesmen in our courts and the Georgia press, outlawed the Columbians and their fellow travellers, and won the honor and respect of truly great Americans the country over.

LYNCH LAW GLORIFIED AT THE CAPITOL

It Has Happened Here in Atlanta, Georgia, at our State Capitol: "A Political Coup d'etat." Just a little roughing, and the breaking into the Governor's office in the wee hours of the morning. There, of course, was no need for guns, for Governor Arnall and his attendants did not resort to violence, and then too, if we should hurt or kill the Governor, the United States government might be forced to really do its duty. That is, step in and establish honest and orderly processes of government here in Georgia, and make the State safe for its citizens.

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Everybody knows that Eugene Talmadge was elected Governor of Georgia. Death can not and did not alter this fact. Everybody knows that the framers of the Georgia Constitution, and the people who voted for it, never intended that a Georgia governor should be chosen by the write-in votes of a few hundred people, for a man who was not even a candidate. If this is due process of law in Georgia, God help us.

GANG PLANS LAID IN THE DARK

Think of it, a few politicians scheming on the death of Eugene Talmadge, get in a corner and decide that the best way to elect a certain, particular man is to pass the information out SECRETLY to a few friends and tell nobody else. Then, if he, the Governor, should die, our little clique would have the governorship salted down with two million whites, and a million Negroes completely shut out. Can we afford to accept a man as Governor, who was chosen by a little clique who loved their fellow Georgians so much, that they kept them completely in the dark about their purposes and plans? Is this due process of law? Is this Georgia Democracy or Adolf Hitler autocracy?

IN THE NAME OF DEMOCRACY-REAL DEMOCRACY IS LYNCHED

It Happened in Atlanta, Georgia and at the State Capitol: The greatest, grandest, and yet, the most tyrannical and most un-American show in all American history. It is on now. It is an effort on the part of the great state of Georgia itself, to rob a million of its own citizens of the right to an effective voice in their government. The state itself, sworn to uphold

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the Constitution of the United States and all amendments thereto, has as its main order of business, the creating of law and making it so safe, so sound, and so secure, that a million of its citizens will be deprived of any effective voice in their government. The irony of it is that these Negroes have given their love, their labor, and their blood in two World Wars that Georgia, along with America, might live and that Democracy might be made safe for the world.

Before the blood of the Negro soldiers, who died in battle for Georgia and America, is hardly cold, the state of Georgia itself, conniving with robbers and lynchers of Democracy within, to rob even the returning soldiers of their inalienable right of suffrage, the foundation of freedom and democracy. Have you ever heard of such brazen ~~infamy~~ ^{infamy}, such ingratitude, such heartlessness on the part of civilized man in any state anywhere?

WHITE PRIMARY MEANS LYNCH LAW AND INTOLERANCE

I know of no blacker chapter in all American history. The great burlesque show of American Democracy is now on at the State Capitol. The saddest part of this great tragedy is that these men do not realize the greatness of their crime. It is a crime against civilization and democracy, for it means lynch law and intolerance. There is no other method or means by which a million people can be robbed of a voice in their government except by lynch law and intolerance. It damps the soul and conscience of any state to tax men and make them fight for democracy and then pass laws that make democracy a

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joke. How can we expect the blessing of Almighty God on such ungodly, unholy, uncivilized acts? The end is not yet in sight.

THE WHITE PRIMARY AND SLAVERY DEVISED IN HELL

One final word about the white primary. There is not a Negro or white man in the whole state of Georgia, who is such a fool that he does not know the real purpose and meaning of the Democratic White Primary. The white primary that the state of Georgia is trying to establish is nothing more or less than downright robbery of Negroes of a fundamental and inalienable right. The white primary is the successor of slavery and means a degree of human bondage. The white primary, like slavery, was devised in hell, put into the hands of ungodly politicians, and promoted with the money of the rich and powerful; to keep the poor white man poor and the Negro poorer still, and labor generally cheap. Don't be deceived, the money for Negro disfranchisement comes from the Capitalists, both in the North and the South; but many believe the real money comes from the North. The headquarters of intolerance is not located in Georgia.

THE SAFEST THING IN THE WORLD IS WHITE SUPREMACY

The great mass of thinking people know that with practically all of the machines of production, 98% or more of all the wealth, whites out-numbering Negroes in Georgia, more than two for one, and in the nation, more than ten to one, that white supremacy is not and never will be threatened. Nothing is safer in all the world than white supremacy. This

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periodic cry of 'nigger' 'nigger' by cheap politicians in order to get wealth and public office, should be hushed by an aroused public and sent home forever.

REPRESENTATION REDUCED IN CONGRESS

This sort of demagoguery drives the best labor out of the state and will sooner or later, result in a further reduction of our representation in Congress. This happened some years ago when representation was reduced from 12 to 10. It can happen again, and most certainly will with the type of thing now taking place in Georgia.

You can also bet your last dollar that if Georgia disfranchises the Negro further, a strenuous effort will be made to reduce the representation of Georgia in Congress, on the basis of the number of citizens disfranchised. The U.S.A. Congress can not afford to condone such robbery much longer. We can not collect millions in taxes from Negroes and shut them out of all the fruits of taxation. Taxation without representation is no less tyranny today than in 1776.

CHRISTIAN STATESMANSHIP

The brightest part of this tragedy is the heroic fight put up by the Press, the Christian Church, and thousands of men and women here and there all over the state. I refer here to the forward looking white South as against wool hat reactionaries and builders of tyranny for all save their gang.

One thing sure, the days of the Columbians, the Klan, and all those who embrace the Nazi idea of race and government are numbered. Above all, don't sell Georgia short on democracy and

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decency, and long on bigotry and intolerance. If you do, you are bound to lose.

You see, that after all is said and done, God still rules and just as civilization and democracy won in both World Wars, so also Democracy for all is bound to win in America. This will and does include Georgia.

Finally, I am just one of a million Georgia loving Negroes whose ballot the state of Georgia would make worthless. I bear no ill-will to my fellow Georgians, white or black, rich or poor, murderers of goodwill, or promoters of civilization. Georgia, like every other state, has some of all classes in both races.

I am proud of the Atlanta Journal and most of the papers of the state, and the great mass of Georgians who believe in equal justice and opportunity for all. I am sincerely grateful to God that even though I, and a million Georgia citizens of color are denied active participation in government and the rightful fruits of government thereof, nevertheless, it is great to realize that your life has meant so much to the state and to many of those who persecute you.

This Georgia Negro Institution that I have served for thirty-five years and played a vital part in building, has assets of over fourteen million dollars, much of which is invested in roads, the school houses and courthouses of the state. I have signed checks for thousands upon top of

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thousands of dollars to the state, cities, and towns in payment of licenses and taxes throughout the years. Last year, we brought into the state, business of over five million dollars, which benefited as you can see, not only my race, but all. More than this, some of my family lies buried on foreign shores in a World War for Democracy.

Yes, I have lived grandly and nobly in Georgia. I shall die and be buried here. Above all, I shall work with all Georgians of goodwill, regardless of race or color, to make this state of which not only we ourselves may be proud, but will merit the respect of both God and man.

"Lord have mercy upon them" (Talmadge and the Georgia Legislature) "for they know not what they do."

E. M. Martin
E. M. Martin, Secretary
Atlanta Life Insurance Company

*Race Relations
Negro*

April 15, 1947

Mr. John Voss
3655¹/₂ Sabina Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Voss:

Governor Warren received your letter of April 2 concerning treatment received by you while riding on a street car in Los Angeles.

He has asked me to tell you that, while he notes your concern about this matter, he suggests that you take it up with your local authorities who have jurisdiction over matters of this kind.

The Governor is confident that you will receive every consideration possible under the law.

Sincerely,

James Welsh
Secretary

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Los Angeles
Cal
April 2 - 47

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Dear Sir -

GOVERNMENT OFFICE
I here with enclose these
few lines to you for and eval done
to me as a 'whit' old man.

I am living in Los Angeles
for years, and of late ride the
cars very often.

So on March 26 last,
while riding on the U car east.
I was set up by the colored
race for not giving my seat
to one of these number severely
beaten upon leaving the car
at 7th Central Ave.

I believe as it was filled

and I being ² the only white
one it have cause to complain^{man}
I believe it was the most
dasasterly treatment any
one could get

I complained to the Police of
our City & the pres. of the traction
company, but heard nothing
of it, so bring it to your
attention

That's the thanks we
white people get for loosing
hundred of thousands of my
race almost a century
ago to free them from
Slavery.

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I was lost with a car
load of there race, at
there brutality ^{at there} & mercy.

I beleave the state
ought to look into it that
our city is more safer
from there domination
and our enforcement
officials be more alert to
there duty.

I ride often over our
city - see how ^{Police} are officers
blirt with the girls while on
duty, and as for myself

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was so brutally beaten
by the black race and
no police man near

I came from bin
B. where this police dept
was born for the nation in
1865

I believe we can
have secure ^{travelling}
if more attention is paid
to the black race to scare
them from now on
Hoping to hear from
you this
I am
well stopped
John Voss

*Race Relations
Negro*

May 22, 1947

Mr. Elmo William Holbrook
8611 Sepulveda Boulevard
San Fernando, California

Dear Mr. Holbrook:

Governor Warren received
your letter of May 11 and he has
asked me to thank you for writing
and to tell you that he appreciates
having the benefit of your views.

Sincerely,

Beach Vasey
Legislative Secretary

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Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after
righteousness, for they shall be filled. Matt. 5:6

Elmo William Kalthoff
8611 Sepulveda, Boulevard
San Fernando, California
May 11, 1947

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Honorable Earl Warren,
Governor,
State of California,

Honorable Governor:

I hear that many
Colored People want to
have a law passed in the State
of California prohibiting
Colored People from residing,
owning real estate, renting,
or conducting or owning business
because certain Colored People
control all of the vice
and keep all of the
good Colored People as well as
all other People hypnotised

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in such a manner that
proper law and order and
proper government cannot
be controlled. They also
say they want every State
in the Union to pass
such a law. They speak
now of the Pacific Coast States
also of all States west of the Mississippi
also of the New England States,
the New York States,
the Pennsylvania States and
of other States. What the
Negro or Colored People
seem to really want is
a United States of Africa
for all of the Colored People
of the United States of America
and for all of the Colored People
of the Earth.

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The Colored People are disgusted with the unfair treatment the Peoples of other Races are receiving from those certain Colored People who contrall hypnotism and vice.

The Colored People are strong for Christian Science as their Religious Belief.

They are through with the idea of having People hypnotised into hospitals and jails and illegal places of confinement on any and for all reasons by those Colored People who so hypnotise and robot contrall.

The Colored People who hypnotise and contrall vice no longer want to do so

except for a few who do
not yet fully understand
how harmful the
poison light rays used
in "meta" or "metallurgy"
and hypnotism is
injuring the health and mind
of the Colored People
who hypnotize and are
hypnotized and are
using "meta" or "metallurgy".
~~Controlled~~ vice alone is so injurious.
They are all turning away
from vice and "meta" and
"metallurgy" and hypnotism
and the confining of others
as prisoners in illegal places,
jails, and hospitals and
from all other crime.

The Colored People are
ashamed of these bad
Colored People and want

this law passed so each
State of the Union and
Washington District of Columbia
and all of the
Territories and Possessions
can return to normal.

Get all of the
Colored Women back of you
also all of the
Colored Churches back of you.
There is no thought of
racial hatred, bias,
prejudice, or discrimination
here either way, except by
these bad Colored People.
The Colored People want
proper law and order,
proper government controlled.
The Colored People do not
want any one robot controlled
either by these poison light rays
or robot light rays.

Let travel information in
circulation encouraging
Colored People to immigrate
to the Colored States and
Nations already established
in Equatorial Africa.

If such a law is passed
for the Colored People see
that free transportation
is supplied for the
Colored People who
immigrate to Africa.
Many Colored People would
immigrate anyway to
Africa if supplied data
and information and given
free or very cheap fares.
The Colored People must help themselves
also. The Colored People want
peace and quiet from
the Colored People and

above all
proper law and order controlled
and proper government controlled.

Please acknowledge
at your earliest convenience.

Yours Truly,

Elmo William Holbrook

Post script: I am a good man
and write only what
a good man would write.
I love the Colored People or
Negro People as I do all other
People of any Race the same
as I do my own race
and I know you
hold the same love for
the Colored People or Negro People,
all other People of any Race
and for our own Race.

Post Post Script: Such a law
and the fact of the Colored People
having a Nation of their own
in Africa will make the
Colored Race strong
and will elevate them.
They must assume
their own responsibility
in God's way as we all must.
God Bless the Colored People
and their reforms

God wants each person
to meet a person of his
own race else God
would not of created
each race so distinctly
of its own identity. A
sparrow does not meet a crow
it is not natural; the same
applies to man.

God wants each Race
or Racial Group in a Nation of its
own or I might say in its
own country which means proper
home, place and position.

The bad Negro or bad Colored People
must reform before he has had health.

If we should ever have
war again, and we should not
since it is all hypnotized
by bad Colored People in the past,
this country would lose
and the enemy would
probably exercise strict
discipline upon the
Colored People since the
entire Earth is aware
of the fact that the
bad Colored People hypnotize
and robot contrail and
cause sin, disease and death
and accidents by "meta",
"metaburgy", hypnotism and
robot contrail.

God Bless the Colored People
and their reform
to Gods way of living.

Good People must contrail America

Yours Truly

Elmer William Holbrook

Major R. R. Wright, Sr.
President
Dr. John W. Davis
Vice President
Rev. Dr. W. C. Williamson
Vice President



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National Freedom Day Association

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Promoting the Adoption and Observance of FEBRUARY FIRST as
"NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY" in Commemoration of the
13th Amendment to the Constitution of the U. S. A.
LET FREEDOM IN FAIR PLAY REIGN THROUGHOUT THE NATION

— Office —

Citizens & Southern Bank and Trust Building
N. E. CORNER SOUTH AND 19TH STREETS
PHILADELPHIA 46, PA. June 6, 1947

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Dear Governor:

In commemoration of National
Freedom Day, the Citizens of Philadelphia
Citizens Committee tendered, Major R. R.
Wright, the President and founder of National
Freedom Day a Birthday Testimonial Dinner at
the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel on May 29th.

We are enclosing a clipping
from The Philadelphia Inquirer.

We are anxious to have you
interested in National Freedom Day.

Very truly yours,

The Citizens Committee

W. R. R. R.



EACH CANDLE REPRESENTS A YEAR

Maj. R. R. Wright, president of the Citizens & Southern Bank & Trust Co., blowing out 94 candles on his huge birthday cake at a dinner which was given in his honor at the Bellevue-Stratford last night. The affair was tendered him by a citizens' committee.

Major R. R. Wright Honored As Banker, Humanitarian

A wish that he live to see the end of racial prejudices in this country was expressed by Maj. R. R. Wright, founder and president of the Citizens & Southern Bank & Trust Co., at a dinner in his honor at the Bellevue-Stratford last night.

The prominent Negro celebrated his 94th birthday May 16. The dinner was given by a citizens' committee to mark that occasion and was attended by many high banking officials.

PLEDGES REST EFFORTS

"If racial prejudices ceased, then everyone could strive earnestly and honestly to make this Nation far and above all others in greatness," Wright said.

As his contribution to such ef-

forts, the honored guest pledged to continue to do the "best that he can for the advancement of all mankind."

LAUDED BY SPEAKERS

Other speakers at the affair attended by more than 250 persons termed Wright a "builder of homes and hopes," a "beacon in a rising race" and a helper in lifting an "iron curtain" of racial barriers.

They included William F. Kriebel, vice president and treasurer of the Pennsylvania Co.; Arthur E. Dennis, attorney; Mrs. Fannie D. Dennis, whose mother was taught by Wright when he was a school principal in Georgia, and Mrs. Elizabeth R. Haynes, of New York. Rev. W. C. Williamson, pastor of White Rock Baptist Church, 52d and Arch sts., served as master of ceremonies.

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June 11, 1947

Mr. W. L. Hopkins
The Hopkins Press
3968 W. 6th Street
Los Angeles 5, California

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

Governor Warren has received your letter of May 20 concerning a decision in the case before the Supreme Court involving residential restrictions.

The Governor has asked me to explain that a matter of the kind to which you refer is exclusively within the jurisdiction of the courts and that it would be improper for him to make any comment.

Yours very truly,

James Welsh
Secretary

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Governor Earl Warren
Sacramento, California

Honorable Sir:

For many years I have been a tax payer in this state. Three years ago I was obliged to move from the home where I had lived for many years because of the influx of negroes who were violating the racial restrictions which were contained in our deeds.

I have not as yet been able to dispose of my former home because the neighborhood is considered contaminated by white people and the negroes themselves cannot pay what it is worth. I purchased a new home in another locality and though it is supposed to be protected by restrictions, the dark tide is moving in and we now have three families in our block. We have filed suits, but a superior court decision means nothing, because these negroes are well backed financially and will immediately appeal.

I am told that there are many cases before the supreme court - that they have been argued - but that a submission order has not been issued by the justices and therefore no decision can be reached until ninety days after it has been issued.

Why is such an important decision being held up? While such tactics are being employed we are having negroes thrust upon us and our property ruined. This surely cannot promote racial harmony.

As the owner of a printing and publishing plant, I could prepare a brochure and circulate it among the veteran and civic groups throughout the state. However, I think this should not be necessary. I believe that publicity should be handled entirely by state department in this matter.

Hoping that I may be favored by some expression from your office, I am

Sincerely,

W. L. Hopkins

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The Hon. Sen. Earl Warren
Washington Col
Hi

I am still trying to get the
life of Dr. J. W. D. Cameron +
Dr. Buckner T. Washburn
filed. I wrote a letter
to the Christian Science
Monitor in Boston

Mr. Harrison has
my letter in the C.S.M.
If I would join with
L. + wish the paper
as it came for see
over the Nation I
could get it done

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like Harry Jones
did ~~lose~~ ^{about} the new
Condillac the
Kiwanis Club
refused to give
him.

As I have seen
the life of Al Johnson
+ others on the
screen yet these
great colored
American life
+ great works
are kept off the
screen, because
they are colored.
I started in 1931 + I
shall continue
to ~~be~~ ^{be} Hollywood

film producers
to film them &
men. a life, a work
The C S M is the
only paper that
would give me
one ~~of~~ line of
copying to let
the people know
what I was trying
to do

I shall always be
grateful to this
wonderful paper
I have read many
letters from all over
the nation & in England
& round the world. they
wishes me success

they said the types
of films are wanted
I just came on
from James on
Hillier.

Yours truly
Hobbs & Cherry

Pres.
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Negro

Sta. T. B. + 184

L. H. Hasty

Dec 22nd - 47

Mr. J. B. Conner,
Sacramento, Cal.
Sir,

My wife writes that for a
ship trying to get the life of
Dr. Cane + Dr. Bracket. It was for
filmed I wish you would
please give news +
set aside a 5th. 48 as Cane Day
in Cal.

The U.S. 3¢ Cane Stamp will
go on sale all over the Nation
on this date. Remember my name
to the press please + wish me
success.

Yours
L. H. Hasty
Return
Chicago, Ill.
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LETTER _____

TO James W. Lucas

REPORT _____

FROM V.S.

DATE OF LETTER May 17-48

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TAKEN BY V.S.

DATE TAKEN 7-19-48

RE:

National and international
problems

^{Race Relation}
Dear Gov I am glad ^{negro}
to see you switched
over to the negro side
of the house - The so called
white man is too white
& needs darkening up
I hope if you become
president you will
appoint an intire supreme
cort. of col black negroes
Thess will save applying
for annexation to
Liberia yours truly

Black & Black
No 30 Black ave

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SAVE THE EASY WAY
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Gov Earl Warren

Sacramento

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State House

*Race Relations
Negro.*

May 17, 1948

Gilbert S. Derr
De Paul University
6151 Langley Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Mr. Derr:

At Governor Warren's suggestion I am sending you a copy of a speech which he recently delivered over the National Broadcasting Company network. In it you will find summarized many of his views relating to national and international problems. I hope this broadcast will prove to be of interest to you.

Sincerely,

Verne Scoggins
Press Secretary

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6151 Langley Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois
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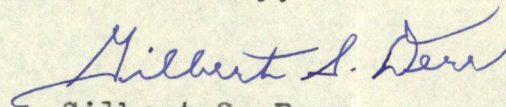
Office of the Governor
State Capitol
Sacramento, California

Gentlemen:

It would be highly appreciated if you will furnish information regarding the extent of your office in improving Negro-white relations. Specifically, is there a Governor's Race Relations Committee or a similar organization? Would you have information concerning the number of municipalities in your State having race relations organizations?

Your cooperation will greatly facilitate my study which concerns education as a solution to the Negro problem.

Yours truly,



Gilbert S. Derr
De Paul University

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"In Behalf of The White Gentile Race,"

"Personal"

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Winslow, Arizona, June 26-1948.

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Gov. Earl Warren,
Sacramento - California -

Of The "White Gentile People" of
this Country don't begin to "Care" so
much ~~Liberty~~ ^{Liberty} for the "Mr. Negro,"
"They are going to be sorry" - as it's
really a "Serious Thing." The "Jews" are
the instigators of all of it - "They want
the Mr. Negro to get a monopoly on
all the jobs - all over the Country - as
they want to crush and tramp the
"White Gentile Race down even more
than that." They want to spoil and destroy
"Our Race" - "The White Gentile People
of this Country better wake up!"

"another thing" - "we don't want
to have to sleep and eat around
with them - which they are fighting
for" - "I know of a hotel - that had ^{much} Negro
"Bell Boys" the hotel "fired"
"every one" of them - "because they got
to 'insulting' the 'white' women and
girls - so you see, it positively will

next week - like the "old lady Charles
Roosevelt" - has been going around
advocating - "I have been told she
had Negro Blood in her - and I saw
an article in the "Ladies' Home Journal"
where some one ask her the question
through the Journal - and from the
answer she gave - "she ignored her
mother's side of the House entirely -

It's a shame for the "White"
People of this Nation to allow themselves
to be whipped down by a "Person"
like that - who is continually trying
to stir up a "racial friction".
Further more, it isn't right - for
either race concerned - "The Negroes
are just like "God" Made them - and
it isn't up to any other race to try
and correct their color - to please the
Mr. Negro - and others who have in
mind to destroy the "White Race". It's a
serious thing - and shouldn't be
tolerated, or, stamped with - "as it
only means trouble for all concerned -"
There is a place for the "Mr.
Negro" - and that place isn't for the
purpose of trying to "destroy other" ones

3/ Races & People:

when I was working in California during the "war." I talked with a lady who had gone out there from Chicago = "she told me she overheard some "Jewish Children" talking in Chicago one time; and she said from their conversation, "seemed to be some in the bunch didn't care to go to school = said she heard some the others: "Say: "We" have got to go to school" get our education, = if "We" get in "Power and Rule" = so they are back of all the Negro Business = and fix in their minds to tramp the white people down, as the Negroes have also been telling it around = "By the time this "thing" is all over, = "them" "old white people" as they call us: "will have to scrub and work for them" saying "They" are going to run this country - so full of that kind of stuff has evidently been put in their minds from some source = "and if the

White Gentile People of this Nation
don't wake up to facts. What they
are facing = "It's going to be too bad - and
they are going to be sorry." "Because
it's a fact = "The "White Gentile race"
are facing something "awful" =

another thing = "Mr. Warren,
what's the "idea" of moving the
United Nations office to "Geneva"
getting it in Europe where
they want to put things over the
People of the United States." The "Jews
and Russia are the instigators
of that = and Mrs. Roosevelt is
doing her part to get it done -
Really. I think she's = just a Big
Traitor to the true Blooded Americans
of this Country or any body I know of.
all that Business and Pictures
of 23 people came out in the
Los Angeles Times. Last Sunday =
awful. "I Believe she thought = it
would help "Wallace" get votes = as
his picture was one of the "23." "I
think she's been working under cover
= over =

5 all along = "I was happy to see in
the Paper yesterday = where ^{Mr} Sewey has
selected you for Vice President. But
I much rather see you our next
President: as I'm afraid ^{Mr} Sewey is
going to go too strong on that
naggy question = "If he does = "The
"white People" of this country are
doomed = "It's really a serious thing."
"You know I wrote you two days
ago = The attitude the negro men
had taken toward trying to go
with the "white and Spanish girls,
"By telling them = "They" had to go with
them = "Well, you know that is wrong
and if the negroes are going to get
more liberties = "It's going to get
for the "white" women and worse
this country = "In fact - it will hardly be
a "safe" place to live": For the "white"
People on a "whole". The "white"
your Best to try and impress it upon
Sewey = and all the white men of
country who are in a position
to curb this situation a position

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For the Protection of the "White People"
"They Better wake up." The Jews
don't care - an they have no scruples -
They will pat you on the Back with
one hand - and at the same time, "stab
"you" in the Back with the other
Hand: "Money is their God. You know,
They really don't care how they get it -
Then Call themselves = God's Chosen
People." and think they are disgraced if
and when "one" of them marries a
Gentile: "They don't recognize them
any more: into their flock =

Mr. Warren - way I see it: "we
an Gentile Christian People = and an
white People - have got to take a
"firm stand" = toward prohibiting
"our" "own" "race", an every body knows
Mrs Roosevelt has been trying hard
to destroy the "white race" - or, place
"us" as she thinks - "where" "we" can't
help "our" selves: "she has never let
up since she started her "under-
"mining" "dirty" work."

I have often wondered why the
white men of this nation = who are
over

in a position to do so. "I cannot
stop at this. When this comes
to doing hard to destroy the "style
and lower the standard of
our country. The "I have nothing to
do with the founding of the nation
and they even at like a bunch of
"yellow dogs" in time of war, &
to found a foundation from my back
on in the outfit just back ago -
"The whole world" would support have
any "peace" with the "I have
what Christians: The "I have
for whom this anything do but a
Christian: "I say that look during trying
to stir up trouble and from the
don't think much of their articles"
think she got any principles
The "I have" - the "I have" -
holding down down = for the best of
of the "style" - or else the one
I covered = way I see it =

The Negro Business - has been
 Carried entirely too far, and the
 Mr. Negro - has got it down, that
 if the Whites are "forced" to Cater to
 them - every where - "They can see and
 realize" that the "Whites" peoples rights
 and wishes are being "severed" for
 "them" - "therefore," they are going to put
 everything they can over the white
 People - and what they can't force
 on the "Whites" - and other races -
 "They will take them out" "rape" and
 kill them - "a lot of the "white men"
 are not going to escape as well -
 There is no true religion about the
 Catholics - "If they are advocating such -
 upon other races" - as it's only a
 matter of wanting to get in Power with
 them,

"The Roosevelt's" have about ruined
 the "whole world" - I understand he
 kept in close touch with the "Pope of Rome"
 and we all know how deceiving the
 "Jews" are - But I say - "we can still make
 a fight for "our existence" and protection -
 Mrs. Thornton - ^{advent people}

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Dear Sirs:

We, the Negro girls of Chatt. Tenn. and scattered over these United States of America, appreciate all the good things you good white People have done for us. we would still be in a savage state if not cared for by the good white People of the world, and all right thinking Negro girls know segregation is the best thing for us. The girls of England, France and Italy hindered our chances of a good clean married life with men of our race and color. God did not intend for Colored Peoples (Black, yellow, red ect) and Pure white People to mix. we think Negro vets are silly running after that class of white girls that will lower their standards of descent living principals by fraternizing with Colored men, and hope Southern men in Congress will defeat the President's equal rights Program.

Do E. May Jr.
#12 Chatt. Tenn.

Race Relations - Negro.

We must know each other through the

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National Negro Hotel and Restaurant Association

For the Benefit of Hotel, Restaurant and Rooming House Businesses

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261 WEST 125th STREET, Room 210

NEW YORK 27, N. Y.

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February 20, 1946

The Governor
Sacramento, California.

Dear Sir:

We are having a meeting of the National Negro Hotel and Restaurant Association in New York in August. The object of this association is to encourage the colored men and women to have better hotels and restaurants throughout the country so that the negro traveling public will have better accommodations when they visit in the various cities.

We feel that if we can have the colored people in different cities establish hotels for themselves, the problem of discrimination, at least in regard to hotel accommodations, will be solved.

Therefore, we are asking the Governors of each state to delegate at least four negro men or women from his state who are interested in hotel and restaurant business and send them to our first convention in August. You will oblige us very much if you will give us an early reply.

Very truly yours,

NATIONAL NEGRO HOTEL AND RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION

Love B. Woods

*Race Relations
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March 22, 1946

Mrs. Martha Safer
721 South Westlake Avenue
Los Angeles, California

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Dear Mrs. Safer:

Many thanks for your letter of March 1st relative to Dr. DeWitt A. Buckingham of Berkeley, in which you ask that I extend protection to Dr. Buckingham.

Under the laws of this State the enforcement of criminal laws is placed in the hands of the respective District Attorneys. In the event that there have been threats or breaches of the peace, the matter should be referred to the District Attorney of the county in which the law violation has occurred.

I am confident that the authorities in Alameda County are capable of enforcing the law and protecting the citizens of the county.

Sincerely,

Governor

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INTER-DEPARTMENT
ROUTE SLIP

To

HRM

FROM

JW

DATE

3-4-46

REQUEST

Will you be kind enough to
reply to this, re the discrimi-
nation by residents of the
Claremont area in Berkeley
against Dr. Buckingham, a Negro
physician who recently purchased
a \$19,000 home. I believe you
know the Governor's views on
race questions better than I do.

IF RUSH, OR SPECIAL, SO INDICATE BELOW

Hold until we see whether
Gov. seems safer letter.

see about carbon in file

Mar 22-46

La Sentinel

Neighbors Offer Aid to Doctor

BERKELEY, Calif. — Something new has been added in the fight against restrictive covenants.

In fact, there are two new features in the case in which the Claremont Improvement Club, Inc., is attempting to remove Dr. DeWitt A. Buckingham from his \$19,000 home at 22 Bridge road, in the Claremont district of Berkeley.

One new feature is that Attorney Bertram Edises, representing the doctor, is planning counter-suits against all residents of the Claremont district to bring them into court to prove that they are all complying with the rule, that they are all "pure Caucasian."

The other new feature is the broad support and sympathy Dr. and Mrs. Buckingham are receiving from whites in the community.

Mrs. Buckingham told a Sentinel reporter that two weeks after they moved into their home on January 21 of this year they received one letter from a crank. That was the only objection they heard to their presence in that neighborhood until Dr. Buckingham received the registered letter from the Claremont Improvement Club, Inc., demanding that he vacate his home.

On the other hand, they have received many letters and phone calls from neighbors and interested persons volunteering any help they can give against the attempt to enforce the restrictive covenant.

Typical of the letters they have received, was one from a Robert Hart which read, "I am white . . . I think, but I am on your side."

Another stated, "I am writing as a neighbor to welcome you to our district and to offer our services if there is anything my husband and I can do to help you. I am sorry now we never joined the Claremont Improvement Club because perhaps we could have done something in the club to combat this action which is being taken against you. I do hope you will regard us as friends and neighbors and call on us at any time."

They have received similar expressions of support from Professor

Ellsworth C. Dougherty, of the University of California; Jewish Chaplain Solomon Bernard, U.S.N.R.; a real estate woman, Miss Moore, of Palo Alto; and numerous others.

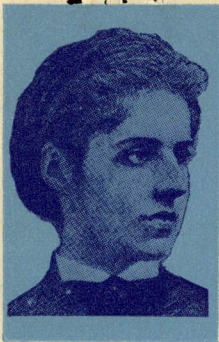
Dr. Buckingham, a surgeon who served three years in the Army, bought the home recently from Benjamin Brudney, Oakland optometrist. The doctor said he was advised the restrictive clause was not valid.

In a strongly worded letter to Roy E. Wood, secretary of the Claremont Improvement Club, Inc., Dr. Buckingham stated that he intends "to continue to occupy the property in question and to ignore any further communications from any UN-AMERICAN organizations which seek to question" his right to occupy said premises.

His letter stated further: "For

your information, I wish to let you know that I served in the U. S. Army from April, 1942, to March, 1945, and that I am as willing to combat FASCISTS and FASCIST DOCTRINES in Berkeley, California, as in Berlin, Germany."

Mrs. Buckingham is from St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. Buckingham from Meridian, Miss. His father, a graduate of Wilberforce University, was a minister of the A. M. E. Church.



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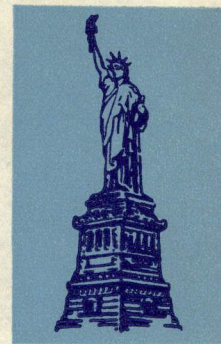
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International Workers Order

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LOS ANGELES 12, CALIF.

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Race Relations
Negro

March 2, 1946

Gov. G. Warren.
Sacramento Cal.

Hon. Governor Warren:

The object to threats received by Dr. De Witt A. Buckingham of Berkley, Cal. restricting him to living in his own home. You must prevent re-occurrence of vigilinty tactics on life and property of ex-service men and families regardless of color or creed.

As head of our state we expect your protection of all citizens of our state.

We trust you will take a stand in this situation and we expect a statement from you as our members wish to know your position on such matters.

Cordially yours,
Emma Lazarus Club of
Hollywood.
Vera Cloner, President

rc/L.W.

*Race Relations
Negro*

May 7, 1946

Miss Julia A. Toole
11835 Willowbrook Avenue
Los Angeles 2, California

Dear Miss Toole:

I have received your recent letter concerning the sale of your property and the difficulties which you are having.

In your letter you ask what procedure is to be taken to have the property acquired by the government for park purposes. You might offer the property to the County of Los Angeles to ascertain whether or not the county desired to acquire the property for this purpose.

With reference to the difficulties which you have had through the damage to your property and theft therefrom, I suggest that you refer the matter to the Sheriff and District Attorney, the duty of which officers it is to enforce the laws of this State against such conduct.

Sincerely,

Governor

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Governor Earl Warren
Sacramento, Calif.

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Dear Governor:-

May I interest you in a great injustice?
Just a lawyer will not do. It is a matter of U.S.
High handed methods.

As soon as the war got well underway, the
Southern negro crowded in. The neighbors fled and took
whatever the negroes offered. I did not want to give up
my home. I had bought restricted property, about thirty
years ago, laying down my NY. State draft and receiving a
clear title from the Title Guarantee and Trust Co. I had put
in shrubs and trees from practically all parts of the US.
I put in the water with standards every 25 feet throughout
the entire half acre. Had a lath house, outside cellar,
outhouses built etc. As fast as the negroes came in and
tore up, I replaced. Thinking, in my ignorance, that the
government did not understand, I at last wrote President
Truman. He did not grant me the courtesy of a reply. I did
not know then that President Roosevelt had sent his National
Planning House Committee to take care of the negroes, pre-
sumably to get the large vote of the Southern Negro, after
they had been in the state for a year.

This committee sat down, I now understand,
and drew large circles showing that they would put them in
here and here and here. One of these circles surrounded my ~~home~~
home. The home that I had worked on so many years to make a
thing of beauty, quiet and contentment is now a place to be
run over by negroes, who leave behind their whiskey bottles
and refuse of all kinds

Can you tell me what procedure can be taken to
have this property taken over by the government? It could be
used as a negro park; more buildings could be erected besides
the six room house; or a branch industry could be established.

I cannot, nor am I willing to stay here under
these terrible conditions. A real estate broker has the
exclusive listing of it for still another 30 days at \$ 10,000
cash. I have not had a single inquiry, nor do I expect one. A
negro with that much cash would demand a home in Beverly Hills.
They would never live among these Southern negroes.

My home is all that I have. It is clear but I
have sunk everything in it. The government has created this
intolerable situation, and it is up to it to rectify it. But
how?

If the government can talk billions on loans
that undoubtedly will never be honored, they can put a few
thousand into something that will net them all that they put
into it.

Is there anyone powerful enough to take this
in hand, and obtain for me the above mentioned sum, with enough
over to compensate him for his services?

I'm inclosing a list of the few of the many
things that these negroes have done. I can verify each one.

Kindly help me if you can.

Respectfully yours

Julia A. Toole (Toole)

THINGS THEY HAVE DONE TO ME.

- 1 - Drew away a load of sand which cost me \$10.00. They did it under cover of darkness and presumably to use on foundations for the shacks they moved in.
- 2 - Destroyed a new variety of balled peach, covered with green fruit that I was waiting to test as soon as it ripened.
- 3 - Took all my large navel oranges, except one imperfect one.
- 4 - Cleaned out the entire fruit on a glorious ~~actus~~ Cactus plant (more beautiful than the one exhibited at San Juan Capistrano), strewed the ground with the skins and then tore the plant to pieces. A young white lad remonstrated and was threatened by a negro man and told to "SHUT UP." Next day the boy was beaten up by the negro gang. A negro man blackened the boy's eye and for a short time the boy lay by the road side unconscious. By way of explanation, I work at the Hall of Justice daily and am not home to protect the place.
- 5 - Threw rocks at a ~~Eureka~~ Eureka Lemon tree, climbed up, tearing branches, and did not leave a single lemon.
- 6 - Tore down a section of the side fence. This fence was erected at a cost of \$150.00, and was erected after they had stolen the sand.
- 7 - I had two one hundred foot rows of choice Iris. Several had received the coveted Fench prize (Deitz) and all the others had received honorable mention. Most of the blooms were three feet tall, and a few even higher. While they were in full bloom a young negro lad from Texas (so he ~~said~~ said) asked to be allowed to come in and get a closer view. He asked the different names and seemed most interested. It was the eve of Mothers' Day of last year. Next morning every bloom had been cut off with a sharp knife.
- 8 - There is not a thing left of my water meter but a hole in the ground and a broken bottle.

THINGS DONE TO OTHERS.

- 1 - A near neighbor - a M. and Mrs. Boyd had their Washing Machine stolen, while they were away for the day. They caught the two negroes before they could get away, and while he tackled with the one, she pointed his rifle at the other and promised to shoot if he did not bring it back. He whined: "Lady, lady, please don't shoot. We'll bring it back."
- 2 - The Eastern Outfitting Co. have had for years scores of benches along the Pacific RR. for rest and ad. purposes. The negroes during the cold spells this winter have burned every one of them.

- 3- The telephone Company built a booth for the negroes. They had been tying up the business telephone of Andrew Haskell, a friend and neighbor directly across from me. First the receiving end of the phone was cut off in the booth. The company replaced it. Then they tore the whole thing out and scattered it over the booth. The telephone company locked up the booth and put out a sign "Out of Order", which was quite apparent.

(Miss) Julia A. Toole
11835 Willowbrook Ave.
Los Angeles, 2 , Calif.

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1246 Battery Street
Richmond, California
June 11, 1946

Governor Earl Warren:

Mr. Warren,

I am a resident of Richmond, California; formerly a student at the San Francisco Junior College; presently, I am enrolled at the University of California.

Recently, I applied for an office job in San Francisco; I was refused with a chocolate coating. I applied for two jobs in Berkeley as a salesgirl; this time, I was coldly and abruptly refused. The last job that I applied for was as salesgirl in Oakland, I am quite aware of the reason for my not being hired, the restrictiveness of jobs caused by discrimination. This is the very thing that not only my husband and relatives but thousands of others like him went over seas and fought against. If we as colored people can't enjoy the four freedoms for which America stand the next question to be asked is why have our men died and for what cause?

Governor, something must be done about this job situation, especially where people are qualified for the jobs. Please do your best to stop the present situations.

Yours Truly,
Mrs. F. L. Osborne

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Subject: War Veterans

WHEREAS: The American Negro soldier has fought and died in America's struggle in the preservation for freedom and democracy for the oppressed peoples of the world, and

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WHEREAS: The record of the Negro soldier is one of glory, bravery, and unstinted sacrifice as his inherent devotion and loyalty to his country.

WHEREAS: All of the struggles and victories of this great country in all wars have been made and achieved through and by the supreme sacrifices of suffering and death of untold thousands of these Negro American soldiers, and

WHEREAS: Our recent World War Two has caused our State Guard and Home Defense System to become disorganized, necessitating a reorganization on a permanent peace basis for the protection of our Home and State, and

WHEREAS: The Middle Western States Association being part and partial of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World whose fundamental objective through the leadership of our Grand Exalted Ruler, J. Finley Wilson, is the unqualified freedom of all oppressed peoples, and

WHEREAS: It has been the custom and practice of the State governors to exclude the Negro Youth as a part of the States Military Defense Program, and

THEREFORE: The members of the Middle Western States Association do herewith urge and request the governors of the various states to dispense justice and equalities in the administration and practice of the States Home Defense Forces, to the end that the Negro Youth of our American communities shall be permitted to participate on an equal basis with all other citizens and that all phases and types of discrimination be immediately eliminated.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Middle West States Association of the I.B.P.O.E. of W. in its regular session this 3rd day of July, 1946, in the City of Waterloo, Iowa, did unanimously go on record, and did instruct its secretary to immediately transmit to the governors of all the States a copy of this resolution.

And be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be sent immediately to the Grand Exalted Ruler, Grand Lodge, Grand Temple, local lodges and temples of the Middle Western States, and to the local and national newspapers of the country.

Special committees appointed by Ham Jenkins, President of Middle West States Association.

(Signed) Frank Alsup, Exalted Ruler
Fidelity No. 1058
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

(Signed) J. W. Pate, District Deputy of
Minnesota and Delegate from Ames
Lodge, 106, Minneapolis, Minn.

RESOLUTION

Subject: War Veterans

WHEREAS: The G.I. Bill of Rights passed by the National Congress for the protection of the Veterans of World War Two provides for the "on the job partial training" for the development of the higher skills, and

WHEREAS: In many instances due to the practice of discrimination by both the unions and employers, this program is being defeated through the unfair and unjust action relative to the Negro soldiers participation in this program, and

WHEREAS: The future of the Negro Veteran is entirely based on the education and his continued development of the industrial skills.

Be it resolved that the members of the Middle Western States Association, meeting in Waterloo, Iowa, this 3rd day of July, 1946, do herewith make its official protest to the Veterans Administration, and to the President of the United States, the Honorable, Harry H. Truman, of this unfair practice and discrimination which strikes a definite blow to the principle of democracy, and destroys the ambition and inspiration of the thousand of Negro Veterans who have suffered untold misery in their struggles for world freedom, and be it further resolved that the Veterans Administration take immediate action to stop and discontinue this vicious practice through the method of disapproving any employer and by withdrawing the bargaining rights of any local unions that are guilty of these injustices.

Signed

Hamilton Jenkins
3003 Stout Street
Denver, Colorado.

*Race Relations
Negro*

July 16, 1946

Mr. E. E. Weldon
P. O. Box 254
Imperial, California

Dear Mr. Weldon:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your letter of June 29 concerning the proposed zoning in Imperial.

The Governor has asked me to explain that he has no authority over a matter of the kind to which you refer as it is exclusively within the jurisdiction of the local authorities.

Yours very truly,

James Welsh
Assistant Secretary

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Mr. Earl Warren -

Dear Gov-

I am sending you a map so I may explain our troubles. We as Colored law abiding Citizens of this Country Born & raised here in America I served in World war (1) one & got a honorable Discharge 322 Service Battalion A.E.F. France in 1918 has been living here since 1924 in Imperial Calif. Now what we fought against in Europe is facing we Colored peoples here now that is taking our homes. Some of us have lived here where we are. For over 30 years. Now this is not Hitler here nor the Duce. It is that (1) American white man. The one that we have trusted & voted in to office & supported them with our taxes. Now we have here a Irrigating District. which Jim Crow all Colored from their work. We Colored get work other places & pay our light & water bills. which there is no returns on the profit we pay them. Now they want to move we Colored peoples off & leave the (2) two blocks of white as you see on the map. Now as it is no Law. For any one to take or drive us from our homes. is there some way that you can tell them hands off with out going to Court. if.

(2)

We want to court here in the Valley we may
as well give it up now. there is no chance
of us winning a case here) Gov- to your Honor
there is too much of that going on here in this
State. it is almost ruined please stop it they
have a right to be ruled & govern by Law as we
are. are there a different Law from the Colored
Americans? I wish that I could talk face to face
with you - Gov- this is no good feeling that is
on now. so as you have the power Gov of this
State. Gov- Warren. Sir. Will you send me a
letter to this affect — Thanks very much

Yours awaiting

E. E. Steldor

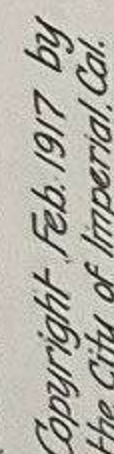
P.O. Box 254

Imperial Calif-

P.S. you can find my serial - No 3066007
World War (I) Washington D.C.
thanks

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J. T. RICE
City Engineer



*X Mailed to
Contra Costa Co.,*

*Race Relations
Negro*

July 24, 1946

Mr. Charlie J. White
2929 Cutting Boulevard
Richmond, California

Dear Mr. White:

Governor Warren has received
your letter of July 3.

If you believe the law has
been violated, the matter should be taken
up with the District Attorney of your
county who will, the Governor is confident,
advise you of your rights.

Sincerely,

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

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WTS:

As you know, the refusal to serve Negroes in restaurants is not a criminal offense. It is a violation of Section 52 of the Civil Code which is liable in damages in amount of not less than \$100. Do you think the attached letter is o.k.?

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July / 3 / 1946
2929 Cutting Blvd
Richmond California

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His Excellency, The Governor,
Dear Sir Governor Earl Wearn
Your Excellency has called upon you to let you know that we Coroled People
Did all we could do in working, and fighting in the War,
And when we get home here In Richomd Calif ,
We find that the Cafe on Cuttingn Blvd and Spring St the big card In the window
telling the Coroled People we can not eat there But they did not tell the Jap
are Germany Peoples they could not eat there at all. I thinks that is unjust
to us we have did no evel to this Country, But we all ways tirs to do as the Bible
tell us we do not care low down we get treated we all ways dose good to them
that mistreat we and we all ways leaves it to the Lord for that is the only one
tahan that gives us A helping hand,
The money the Government pay us for going to the war it is no good if we can not
buy some thing to eat with it.
If Our Dear Governor will let that card in California it be soon that we could
get nothing to eat in Californi no where , We Your unj~~ust~~ umble California
Coroled asking you to please Sir put a stop to these cards
I know it is not your will. Because I knew you to well. That is why I am telling
You dear Governor, Because I feel in my heart that it is the Lord will for you to
And when I heare you talk on the air, I can feel the Lord is talking to the
Peoples through you,

I have the honor to remain
Yours faithfully
Charlie J White

Charlie J White

Race Relations - Negro

Los Angeles

August 19, 1946

Dr. Monroe A. Majors
311 East Walnut Avenue
Monrovia, California

Dear Dr. Majors:

Your letter of July 22, addressed to the Governor in Los Angeles, was forwarded here as the Governor does not have a staff in the South for handling office correspondence. It will be called to his attention upon his return and I know he will appreciate receiving your views on opportunities of employment for members of the negro race.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

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DR. M.A. Majors
311 East Walnut Ave. 128604
Monrovia Calif.

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July 22 '46,--

His Excellency, The Governor Warren, 1946 JUL 29 AM 10 17

My Dear Governor, Now we have more than a half million Negroes in California, of which I am proud to be counted as one. About thirtyfive years ago, we began the inter racial relations work in Illinois. It has gathered strength, and multiplied its usefulness all over the United States..

The Commissioners appointed by the Various Governors consists chiefly of Negroes. a ratio of one white person to

thirteen Negroes. The best persons attainable of each race. Mattie Nelson, Mrs Bass, editress of The California Eagle, Mr Floyd Covington, Atty's Backweth, and Tyler Ex-member of The Assembly Robertskev. Harrold Kingsløy, and Norman Houston Houston.

Our folk out here, lots of them are not use to urban life. I don't know what to do with themselves with all of the electric flood lights beaming, later they become city broke and drift into the better ways of human development. They do not know about opportunity, they look to chance, and the rabbit foot they carry in their pocket, or a red piece of flannel sewed on his underwear. These primitive ideas rapidly disappearing. Their parents were brought up in the slave prison pen, where they degrade, and never offer much. raised chiefly on the farm or in the backwoods, they are like eight year old children, and something like what I am suggesting to you we started in Chicago big Bill Thompson was our Mayor.

The Negro should be allowed to participate in Government. He is not, and all he knows about governmental affairs is at election time he is called on to vote,,and elect white folk to office. Without being given some incentive to care for law, and the civic as well as the economic life blood, but what can the poor helpless critter do? He has long needed sympathy of the big brother kind, but millions and billions of wealth have been spent, and the bureau organized force of appointed clerks seldom, or never has looked upon a black bureaucrat. A colored child has nothing much to point to with pride when he sees his father, and mother begarbed in drudgery.

In this manner the Negro has been hogtied for centuries. Lincoln emancipated his body. The cultural forces found in opportunity, education and religion has to permeate the whole structure of Government like the circulation of the blood. Incentive must be cherished, nourished, and allowed to grow wherever human foot has trod the sod, or human mind evolved an idea. An expenditure of several hundreds of thousands of dollars, or an appropriation for a Commission to blend the noblest truths of humanity, that is about all life ever could mean to any civilization. I make no doubt Governor but a little over a year ago, a letter I addressed to Gov. Tom Dewey on Negro opportunity, incentive, and the unpleasantness of being told "We don't employ Negroes" it rang the bell.

I have written you just as I have written Big Bill, Col Knox, and Gov. Dewey, and I do hope it merits consideration.

Respectfully Your Humble Servant

Monroe A Majors M E.

311 East Walnut Ave.

Monrovia

Race Relations - Negro

August 19, 1946

Mr. Raphael Robinson
11421 Antwerp Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Your letter of July 30, addressed to the Governor in Los Angeles, was forwarded here as the Governor does not have a staff in the South for handling office correspondence. It will be called to his attention upon his return and I know he will appreciate receiving your views on opportunities of employment for members of the negro race.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:vb

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11421 Antwerp St.

Los Angeles 2, Calif.

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July 30 - 1946

Governor & Warren.

Dear Governor Warren.

on Sunday June 2, 1946, I saw
a picture in the Examiner paper
of you & your lovely family &
Brownie the family pet.

I must say & congratulate you of
such a lovely family.

I hope that you all will have
a lovely vacation, & to hope that
you will get a lots of
rest.

I notice recently that you
were interrupted with a special
session of the legislature

I am glade that Pres. Truman
accepted & sign the new legis-

lature, that Congress send to him that is one ~~or~~ any off you & your staff.

now Governor Warren, I am asking you, to please try & force some kind of law to forbid what you will call a racial discrimination through out our city of Los Angeles in fact the state of Calif. I am speaking of our existing problems, or situation, for instance we see ads in the news papers, for employees & we go to apply for the job & they only say that I am sorry but the job were just taken or not available, still in all if a white, or any other nation ~~may~~ apply for the job nine

out of ten times they are accepted & hired.

now I have seen & experienced this kind of situation ~~not~~ just one time but at least a dozen or two dozen times or they will have a sign on the door at the office that the job were just taken or fill.

I were at a Mfg. Co. last week, & they keep me there just about an hour I filled my application, thinking that I would start working, so I ask how much do you all pay per hour, the girl reply & said for experience men we pay 75¢ per hr. & unexperience men we pay 65¢ per hr.

so I ask her were there any
 way to get in over time or how
 many days do they work she
 reply & said only 5 days, & not
 much overtime, so I said to her
 well I have a wife ⁽⁴⁾ & four
 children to support, but still
 in all I accepted the job
 because really it is hard
 for a Negro to get a decent
 job in this city or ⁱⁿ Calif.
 the whole state of Calif.
 at the U. S. E. S. is the same
 way or in a way were
 now I am a citizen of Calif.
 I have a wife & (4) four
 little children to support &
 I must get a decent job to
 support them & not have
 them suffering for the things

that they need & are supposed to have, so please call in a emergency meeting & see if you all cant help & check these complaints now I am not just only speaking for myself there are hundreds & thousands of negro family are facing the same problems as the ones I come in contact with.

I dont believe ^{do} you know, or dont you care to know that such discrimination are existing in Calif. especialⁱⁿ Los Angeles now negro family have got to live as well as any other family regardless to race or creed. we are trying to make & be good citizens but how can we be, with

such terrible times, as we have fought & some have given their lives, so that we too might live & enjoy a peaceful world. Well we can't with such condition as they are right now.

it is true that the Emperor & the pacific countries are on starvation, but what different is it, for instance right here in Los Angeles, we have really been having difficulties of getting bread for our ^{little} children the store keepers will say ^{to you} sorry but no bread today some will say to you to get bread you will have to get some meat.

the wife went to one store

she had a loaf of bread in
 her hand, & the clerk said
 to her, Mrs did you want any
 thing els, & she reply & said
 no, he said well if you dont
 want anything els, ^{you let}
 my bread ^{she told him that she wanted it} stay here, he said
 I dont care & cant help how
 many children you have, if
 you dont buy any thing els,
 you dont get any bread
 she had the money to pay
 him, but he would not accept
 it now that is just a
 small coincident in Los-
 angeles. I can mention a
 dozen or so others but it
 will take to much time & b
 paper.

to my judgement this is just

us had or want than foreign countries. dont you think so? we have got the pool & still we havent been able to get it, shorting some stores charge you 49¢ per # & you must get meat to get one # of land.

now please please Governor Warren, dont simply read this letter & just ignore it, call a special emergency meeting & check up on there complaints & condition of our state of Calif. and in advance thanks a million for your cooperation with me & a thousands of other negro family that have got to work to support their family.

send a copy of these complaints to our Mayor F. Boston^{Boston}
 & also to our President^{human.} &
 have them to help us out
 in our difficult and prebelen
 at home, instead of just
 thinking of ~~foreign~~ foreign
 countries.

I will admit again that the
 Europe & the Pacific countries
 are in a bad shape, but
 don't let us forget that the
 states of American, are in
 bad shape also. especial
 Los Angeles Calif.
 a citizen & hundred of
 other.

Raphael Robinson.

O. S. my wife & I like to want
 I like to have a vacation but finance
 won't allow me to do so. 4 children.

again I must admit there are too many women & teen age kids that are wasting the jobs that men with families should have, so they can make a honest & decent living for they wife and kids.

several places are hiring teen age kids, & women so that they can get them to work for half of the salary that ~~that~~ they would have to pay to a family man. we have a lot of that gone on right here in Los Angeles Calif. Children have got to live regardless if they are rich or poor. Raphael Robinson.

Race Relations
negro
Los Angeles, Calif.
Aug 21, 1946

Earl Warren
Governor of California
Sacramento, Calif.

No at address

My Dear Sir:

We the Negroes of Los Angeles, want you to know of the atrocities that we suffer by the unchecked brutality of plain clothesmen and police men in uniform. It has now reached a state where citizens are being subjected to vicious beatings and uncontrolled insults if officers don't happen to like their appearance.

One of the latest cases is that of Dr. Joseph A. Hayes, 230 W. 43rd place. He was dragged from his car beaten with gun butts on the head and face, kicked in the groin several times, because he "looked like a suspicious character."

He was released without haaking.

Dr. Hayes is a veteran of World War II and that is what he had to come home to. Charges are being filed against the police department.

Now I ask you must we be subjected to such atrocities? Sure we all know the names and badge numbers of our "protectors," Joseph C. Becker. Same first name as the victim. Coincident

2.
is what? William T. Foreman. Badge numbers
510, #1514 - Ericson.

This is supposed to be the land of the
~~free~~ and the home of the brave. Yeah, it is,
the land of the free white man and the home
of the brave Negro. We who are brave enough
to dare live and make a decent living.

It is getting so that a decent Colored man
can't leave his home without being molested
and insulted by our "protectors."

We are getting very tired of being pushed
around. You know that you can play around
with dynamite just so long.

Of course there are some bad eggs in
every race of people. No matter what Bilbo
thinks, there are some bad ones in the white
race too. All of us aren't bad.

What we want is this - economic
equality, not social equality. We have our
own friends. I must admit this that I do
have some very good friends in the other
races. I mean the kind that belong to the
old adage "A friend in need is a friend indeed."

This can't go on forever, we are
tired of being pushed around. We are supposed

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to have freedom from fear. But this is something else to be afraid every time one of us goes out, fearing that you will be beaten to death or insulted because your skin is black and that makes us look like a "suspicious character."

If there isn't a stop put to it soon, somebody is going to get hurt pretty badly and no excuse will explain it away.

The actions in Georgia are very much envied by the police dept. here. Some of the victims have been told so. Here are some of the things said by one of our "protectors" Officer Ericson "That's the trouble with some of you 'niggers', if you've had two days schooling and can spell c-a-t then white men can't get along with you. What we should do is treat the 'niggers' here like they do in Georgia then we wouldn't have any trouble with you 'niggers.' We wouldn't have so much work to do." If he doesn't want to work why force him to do so.

We resent being called out of our names and being pushed around in general. First of all we aren't all from Georgia and these poor ignorant

people there can't help themselves.

We all know of the great increase in population in Calif. I'll bet a hat that the majority of them are from the south - black and white. There are some undesirables as well as some good ones.

In the white race they are trying to put Calif. on the level with miss. They are trying to brow beat the negro. Do you know what that would mean if they succeeded? There would be lynchings and riots.

In the black race they are getting their first taste of freedom from "mistak white boss man." He can sit down in a street car or bus where ever he wants to. He is now making a fair wage. Some of them are very belligerent.

The poor ignorant white and black who are now beginning to live like decent people should. The both are making plenty of trouble for us who try to be good citizens. If this keeps up pretty soon we won't be allowed to vote.

Those who come here and are unfortunate enough not to have an education should be made to attend

night school.

If nothing is done soon we will be on the same level with miss. Ignorance breeds hatred.

All we have been doing is sitting around and talking about these things, so we decided to write some letters to the newspapers, mayor and governor and senators.

I don't know what will be discussed in the next naacp meeting, but I do want to make sure that the brutality of police men is discussed, so something can be done before it's too late.

From an irate citizen
Roberta Washington.

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August 28, 1946

Miss Margaret E. James, Secretary
National Association for the Advancement
of Colored People
2602 Imperial Avenue
San Diego, 2, California

Dear Miss James:

Your letter to Governor Warren concerning the possibility of a resurgence of acts of racial violence in the San Diego area has been received while he is away from Sacramento. It will be called to his attention.

The Governor is interested in having detailed information concerning situations which might result in violence, so that they may be referred to the Attorney General and through him to the local law enforcement people in order that they may be watched closely. It was the Governor's experience in Alameda County when he was District Attorney that often trouble could be averted if points of tension were known and precautionary measures were taken.

The Governor's views concerning the Ku Klux Klan were stated in his Memorial Day Proclamation, and I thought you might be interested in having a copy of it for your files.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

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Honorable Robert W. Kenny
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From: Governor's Office

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Hon. Earl Warren
Office of Governor
Sacramento, California

Dear Sir:

There has been a resurgence of acts of racial violence in California. In too many instances, these acts have had implications of intolerance and race hatred. Negroes have been beaten, fiery crosses have been burned, synagogues have been defaced, signs and symbols of the Klan have appeared in minority group neighborhoods. Civic leaders and public officials have been anonymously threatened in the name of the Ku Klux Klan. These activities have appeared in both Northern and Southern California at widely separated points.

While wishing to avoid appearing as alarmists or acting without full justification, we are now convinced that there is a sufficient threat to minority group persons and institutions to warrant calling the matter to your attention. The spirit of reaction and hate which lies behind Klan activities and the activities of groups with similar purposes thrives when it appears that democratic forces are asleep or indifferent. We cannot wait until these forces to which we are all opposed follow a so-called "natural course" -- we know now from previous experience that such a policy is futile and will retard the establishment of interracial harmony indefinitely.

We know that you are against the policies of such organizations and we are appealing to you for the passage of such laws that will outlaw the activities of these perpetrators.

Yours very truly,
Margaret E. James
Margaret E. James, Secretary

*Race Relations
Negro*

October 29, 1946

Mr. J. T. Brewer
437 Roscoe
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Brewer:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your telegram and to state to you that he has never in his life made a speech against colored men being in the uniform of their country. Such an assertion is entirely without foundation.

Sincerely,

Verne Scoggins
Press Secretary

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